International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination Wednesday 26 March 2025



The Honourable Justice Hament Dhanji Judge, Supreme Court of NSW

judge of the Supreme Court of NSW on 20 September 2021.

Justice Dhanji graduated from the University of Sydney with a Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts degrees.

He was admitted as a legal practitioner in 1990 and practiced as a solicitor, working exclusively in criminal law being called to the Bar in 1997. He took silk in 2010.

He was a barrister in private practice at Forbes Chambers engaged predominantly in criminal defence work. In addition to first instance work across the range of criminal matters including complex corporate crime matters he had a substantial appellate practice. He appeared as lead counsel in a number of important cases in the High Court and appeared in approximately 350 cases in the Court of Criminal Appeal.

In addition to his defence work Justice Dhanji also conducted a number of prosecutions on behalf of the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, appeared as counsel assisting the coroner and represented clients before bodies such as the Police Integrity Commission and the NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption.

Since 2022, Justice Dhanji has been a Member of the Judicial Council on Diversity and Inclusion and since 2023, has been the patron for the Pacific Legal Association New South Wales Inc (PLAN).